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# U.S. District Court District of Columbia (Washington, DC) CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:18-cv-00376-RC

DEMOCRACY FORWARD FOUNDATION v. U.S.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Assigned to: Judge Rudolph Contreras Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act Date Filed: 02/20/2018 Jury Demand: None

Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of

**Information Act** 

Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

#### **Plaintiff**

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### **Defendant**

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
02/20/2018	1	COMPLAINT against U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (Filing fee \$ 400 receipt number 0090–5338316) filed by DEMOCRACY FORWARD FOUNDATION. (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit, # 2 Civil Cover Sheet, # 3 Summons, # 4 Summons, # 5 Summons)(Perryman, Skye) (Entered: 02/20/2018)
02/20/2018	2	LCvR 7.1 CERTIFICATE OF DISCLOSURE of Corporate Affiliations and Financial Interests by DEMOCRACY FORWARD FOUNDATION (Perryman, Skye) (Entered: 02/20/2018)
02/20/2018		Case Assigned to Judge Rudolph Contreras. (zmd) (Entered: 02/23/2018)
02/26/2018	<u>3</u>	SUMMONS (3) Issued Electronically as to U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General (Attachments: # 1 Notice and Consent) (zmd) (Entered: 02/26/2018)

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03/01/2018	4	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed as to the United States Attorney. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney on 2/28/2018. (Answer due for ALL FEDERAL DEFENDANTS by 3/30/2018.), RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed on United States Attorney General. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney General 02/28/2018., RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE served on 2/28/2018 (Attachments: # 1 Declaration)(Perryman, Skye) (Entered: 03/01/2018)
03/30/2018	<u>5</u>	ANSWER to 1 Complaint by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE.(Cheung, Ashley) Modified to add link on 4/2/2018 (znmw). (Entered: 03/30/2018)
04/02/2018		MINUTE ORDER: It is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall meet, confer, and submit a proposed briefing schedule on or before April 16, 2018. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Rudolph Contreras on 4/2/2018. (lcrc3) (Entered: 04/02/2018)
04/02/2018		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Proposed Briefing Schedule due by 4/16/2018 (hs) (Entered: 04/02/2018)
04/16/2018	<u>6</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Cheung, Ashley) (Entered: 04/16/2018)
04/17/2018		MINUTE ORDER: Upon consideration of <u>6</u> the parties' Joint Status Report and Proposed Schedule, it is hereby ORDERED that BOP will review and process for production all non–exempt records responsive to Plaintiff's narrowed requested by April 30, 2018; OIP shall complete its search for potentially responsive documents by June 25, 2018; and OLC shall complete its search for potentially responsive documents by June 18, 2018. It is FURTHER ORDERED that the parties shall meet, confer, and submit a joint status report on or before July 23, 2018. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Rudolph Contreras on 4/17/2018. (lcrc3) (Entered: 04/17/2018)
04/17/2018	7	NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTION OF COUNSEL by Jeffrey B. Dubner on behalf of DEMOCRACY FORWARD FOUNDATION Substituting for attorney Skye L. Perryman (Dubner, Jeffrey) (Entered: 04/17/2018)
04/17/2018		Set/Reset Deadlines: Status Report due by 7/23/2018 (tj) (Entered: 04/17/2018)
07/23/2018	<u>8</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Cheung, Ashley) (Entered: 07/23/2018)
07/23/2018		MINUTE ORDER: Upon consideration of <u>8</u> the parties' joint status report and proposed schedule, it is hereby ORDERED that the following schedule shall govern further proceedings: The Office of Legal Counsel shall produce all non–exempt, responsive records on or before August 15, 2018; the Justice Management Division shall produce non–exempt, responsive records on or before September 17, 2018 and October 17, 2018, and shall complete the production on or before November 16, 2018; the Office of Information Policy shall produce non–exempt, responsive records on or before September 21, 2018 and November 2, 2018, and shall complete the production on or before December 14, 2018; and the parties shall submit a joint status report on or before January 10, 2019. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Rudolph Contreras on July 23, 2018. (lcrc3) (Entered: 07/23/2018)
07/23/2018		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint status report due by 1/10/2019. (gdf) (Entered: 07/24/2018)
11/27/2018	9	NOTICE of Change of Address by Ashley Alexandra Cheung (Cheung, Ashley) (Entered: 11/27/2018)
01/04/2019	<u>10</u>	Unopposed MOTION to Stay re Set/Reset Deadlines, Order,,, to Submit Joint Status Report by January 10, 2019 by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (Cheung, Ashley) (Entered: 01/04/2019)
01/24/2019		MINUTE ORDER granting 10 Defendant's Unopposed Motion to Stay. It is hereby ORDERED that the joint status report previously due on January 10, 2019 shall be filed within 14 days of Congress restoring appropriations to the Department of Justice. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Rudolph Contreras on January 24, 2019. (lcrc3) (Entered: 01/24/2019)

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01/28/2019	NOTICE <i>OF RESTORATION OF APPROPRIATIONS</i> by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (Cheung, Ashley) (Entered: 01/28/2019)
02/06/2019	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Cheung, Ashley) (Entered: 02/06/2019)